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1. AT COMMITTEE MEETING APRIL 22, WE BEGAN THE ANNUAL DEBATE ON HOW TO DIVIDE THE COMMITTEE'S TIME BETWEEN THE PROCESSING OF CASES AND GENERAL SUBJECTS. CHAIRMAN (AMBASSADOR KIKHIA OF LIBYA) SUGGESTED WE FOLLOW THE 1976 PATTERN OF FOUR MEETINGS ON CASES AND TWO MEETINGS ON GNERAL SUBJECTS. THE SOVIETS PROPOSED TWO AND TWO. UK HELD OUT FOR THE FOUR AND TWO FORMULA AND WAS SUPPORTED BY US AND CANADA.

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NO DECISION WAS REACHED. THE COMMITTEE WILL TRY AND RESOLVE THIS MATTER AT ITS NEXT MEETING ON APRIL 29.

2. UK PROPOSED THAT A WORKING GROUP BE ESTABLISHED WITH THE SOLE AIM OF PROCESSING THE NOTES AND DOCUMENTATION ON SPECIFIC CASES; THE WORKING GROUP WOULD WORK BY CONSENSUS, SENDING NOTES TO MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE UNDER

THE NO-OBJECTION PROCEDURE AND REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE ONLY WHEN THERE WAS NO AGREEMENT ON A GIVEN CASE. THE PROBABLE COMPOSITION OF THE WORKING GROUP MIGHT BE THE UK PLUS FOUR OTHER MEMBERS (I.E., AND AF, LA, EE, AND ASIAN). THERE APPEARED TO BE GENERAL INTEREST IN THE COMMITTEE IN THIS PROPOSAL WHICH WE WILL FURTHER DISCUSS AT THE NEXT MEETING.

3. THE USSR LAUNCHED INTO ITS ANNUAL ANTI-BRITISH AND ANTI-WEST DIATRIBE, CALLING FOR OPEN COMMITTEE MEETINGS, EXPANSION OF SANCTIONS AGAINST SOUTHERN RHODESIA (I.E., FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF SANCTIONS AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA, AND A SPECIAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO BE SENT TO THE SECURITY COUNCIL IN JULY, ETC. (A COPY OF THE SOVIET PROPOSAL WILL BE CABLED TO THE DEPARTMENT APRIL 27). THE WESTERN MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE RESERVED THEIR POSITION ON THE SOVIET PROPOSALS UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING.

4. UNDER OTHER BUSINESS THE US REPRESENTATIVE OFFICIALLY INFORMED THE COMMITTEE OF THE REPEAL OF THE BYRD AMENDMENT.

5. FOLLOWING THE COMMITTEE MEETING, THE WESTERN MEMBERS MET AND ALL AGREED TO CONTINUE TO FOLLOW THE BRITISH LEAD FOR MAXIMUM USE OF COMMITTEE TIME FOR CASES AND TO CONTINUE TO RESTRAIN THE SOVIETS IN PUSHING THE COMMITTEE OUTSIDE OF ITS MANDATE.
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